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Non-governmental organizations

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2011 regular session

(New York, 31 January-9 February and 3 March 2011)

Summary

At its 2011 regular session, held from 31 January to 9 February and on 3 March 2011, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 352 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from its 1999 through 2010 sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations those applications, the Committee recommended 112 for consultative status, took note of 1 non-governmental organization that had withdrawn its application, closed consideration without prejudice of 23 applications and deferred 216 for further consideration at its resumed session in May 2011. The Committee also had before it 10 new requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting 5 of those requests. It also considered one deferred request for reclassification and recommended the reclassification. The Committee considered seven requests for change of name of which it took note of six and deferred its consideration of one of the requests to the next session. In addition, it had before it 231 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 212. Pending the receipt of responses to questions posed, the Committee deferred its consideration of 16 quadrennial reports deferred from previous sessions and 3 from the present session. Of the 27 non-governmental organizations that attended the session, the Committee heard 13 representatives of those organizations.

The present report contains two draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council.

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By draft decision I, the Council would:

- (a) Grant consultative status to one hundred twelve non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Reclassify the consultative status of six non-governmental organizations;
- (c) Note the withdrawal of the application of one non-governmental organization;
- (d) Note the change of name of six non-governmental organizations;
- (e) Take note of the two hundred twelve quadrennial reports of non-governmental organizations;
- (f) Close without prejudice consideration of the request for consultative status made by twenty-three non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions.

By draft decision II, the Council would take note of the present report.

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I. Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

Draft decisions for adoption by the Council

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I

Applications for consultative status, requests for reclassification and change of name, quadrennial reports received from non-governmental organizations and applications closed without prejudice

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant consultative status to the following one hundred twelve non-governmental organizations:¹

General consultative status

Hope International

Special consultative status

5th Pillar

Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia

Afromedianet

Agewell Foundation

Amigos do Protocolo de Kyoto

Asociación Civil Educación, Ambiente y Territorio

Association burkinabé pour la survie de l'enfance

Association de la jeunesse congolaise pour le développement

Association femmes soleil d'Haiti

Association mauritanienne pour la promotion du droit

Association of World Reindeer Herders

Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa

Athletes United for Peace

Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement

Azerbaijan Turkey Business Association

Azərbaycan Gənlin Avro-Atlantika Təkilat

Behnam Daheshpour Charity Organization

¹ Including both new and deferred applications.

Beijing Children's Legal Aid and Research Center
Beijing Zhicheng Migrant Workers' Legal Aid and Research Center
Center for Global Community and World Law
Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation
China Energy Fund Committee
China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation
CLIPSAS
Compassion Africa Aged Foundation
Concern for Environmental Development and Research
Coordinadora Española para el Lobby Europeo de Mujeres
Council for American Students in International Negotiations
Drammeh Institute
Drug Prevention Network of Canada
Ecocosm Dynamics
Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegría
Forum Azzahrae pour la femme marocaine
Foundation for the Development of Knowledge Suma Veritas
Framework Convention Alliance for Tobacco Control
Fundación Atenea Grupo
Fundación Ecología y Desarrollo
Grand Triangle
GSI
Hydroaid
Initiative du millénaire des femmes africaines contre la pauvreté et pour les droits humains
Instituto para la Participación y el Desarrollo-INPADE-Asociación Civil
International Administrative Science Association
International Ecological Safety Cooperative Organization
International Federation of Psoriasis Associations
International Human Rights Observer
International Police Executive Symposium
International Samaritan
International Solidarity and Human Rights Institute
Istanbul Research Centre on Women

Kadin Adaylari Destekleme ve Egitme Derneği
Kenya Community Development Group
Kikandwa Rural Communities Development Organization
Leaders Organization
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund
Life for Africa
Livelihood NGO
Mémorial de la Shoah
Minhaj-ul-Quran International
Movement against Atrocities and Repression
Muhammadiyah Association
National Association for Work Bless
National Association of Home Builders of the United States
National Native Title Council
National Women's Studies and Information Center "Partnership for Development"
New York and New Jersey Asian American Law Enforcement Advisory Committee
Niall Mellon Township Trust
Not for Sale Campaign
OceanCare
Organisation nationale des donneurs de sang bénévoles
Organização das Famílias da Ásia e do Pacífico
Pan African Civil Society Network
Patim
Plan Suomi Säätiö
Pro-Life Campaign
Protection de l'environnement et de l'écosystème
RESO-Femmes
Roma Zaedno
Rufaida Health Foundation
Rural Development Centre
Sacro Militare Ordine Costantiniano di San Giorgio
Schweizerische Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Jugendverbände

Serve Train Educate People's Society
 Social Initiatives Support Fund
 Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology
 Soroptimist International of Europe
 South Sudanese Women Christian Mission for Peace
 Sucardif Association
 Sudanese Organization for Education Development
 Tamil Christian Broadcasting Network
 Terra-1530
 Think Youth Independent Association
 Türk Kalp Vakfi
 Turkish Philanthropy Funds
 Umid Support to Social Development Public Union
 UNIFEM Sweden
 United Help for International Children
 United Kingdom Association for the United Nations Development Fund for Women
 Univers de solidarité et de développement
 VAAGDHARA
 Verband Entwicklungspolitik Deutscher Nichtregierungs-Organisationen
 Victorious Youths Movement
 Vivekananda Sevakendra-O-Sishu Uddyan
 Women Against Violence (Europe)
 Women for Human Rights, single women group
 Women Watch Afrika, Inc.
 Womensport International
 World Federation for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence

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Hellenic Research and Educational Institute "Panos Mylonas" for Road Safety
 and the Prevention and Reduction of Traffic Accidents
 International Federation of Thanatologists Associations
 Richbone Initiative Foundation
 (b) To reclassify the following non-governmental organizations:
 (i) From special to general consultative status:

International Federation for Family Development

International Indian Treaty Council

Sulabh International

(ii) From the Roster to special consultative status:

International Union against Cancer*

Plan International**

Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation

(c) To take note of the request of the following non-governmental organization to withdraw its application:

Agape International Spiritual Center of Truth

(d) To take note of the request of the following six non-governmental organizations for change of name:

Friends of the Earth to *Friends of the Earth International*

Hariri Foundation to *Hariri Foundation for Sustainable Human Development*

Izza Peace Foundation to *International Peace and Development Organization*

Korea Freedom League to *Korea Freedom Federation*

Soap and Detergent Association to *American Cleaning Institute*

United States Trademark Association to *International Trademark Association*

(e) To take note of the quadrennial reports for the 2006-2009 reporting period submitted by the following two hundred and five organizations:

8th Day Center for Justice

Centre for the World Religions

Aahung

Action aides aux familles démunies

African American Islamic Institute

African Services Committee

African Youth Movement

AFS Inter-Cultural Programs

Agence d'aide à la coopération technique et au développement

Al-khoei Foundation

American Society of Safety Engineers

Americans for UNFPA

Amman Center for Human Rights Studies

* For the discussion, see chap. II.B, para. 23.

** For the discussion, see chap. III.B, para. 29.

Amnesty International
Anti-Slavery International
Architectes de l'urgence
Argentine Society of Pediatrics
Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network
Asian Migrant Centre
Asociación Civil Consorcio Desarrollo y Justicia
Assembly of First Nations — National Indian Brotherhood
Associação de Mulheres Contra a Violência
Association for Sustainable Human Development
Association internationale de lutte contre la pauvreté et pour le développement
Association des états généraux des étudiants de l'Europe
Association for Aid and Relief (Japan)
Association of European Parliamentarians for Africa
Association of Former Diplomats of China
Association of Medical Doctors of Asia
Associazione Comunità Papa Giovanni XXIII
Austrian Federal Economic Chamber
Badil Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights
Baha'i International Community
Baptist World Alliance
Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University
Brazilian Foundation of America
Building and Social Housing Foundation
Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft der Senioren-Organisationen
CARE
Canadian Race Relations Foundation
Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid
Center for Oceans Law and Policy
Centre Europe-tiers monde
Centro di Ricerca e Documentazione Febbraio 74
Child Care Consortium
China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation
China Education Association for International Exchange

China Society for Human Rights Studies
Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament
Comité international pour le respect et l'application de la charte africaine des droits de l'homme et des peuples
Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy
Commonwealth Human Ecology Council
Conectas Direitos Humanos
Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Deniz Feneri Association
DiploFoundation
Dominican Leadership Conference
Dominicans for Justice and Peace: Order of Preachers
Drug Free America Foundation
Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration
Eco-Accord: Center for Environment and Sustainable Development
Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs
Egyptian Organization for Human Rights
European Federation for Transport and Environment
Exchange and Cooperation Centre for Latin America
Family Health International
Fédération européenne des femmes actives au foyer
Federation of National Representations of the Experiment in International Living
Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe
Fondation Chantal Biya
Friends World Committee for Consultation
Fundación para Estudio e Investigación de la Mujer
General Confederation of Trade Unions
Global Alliance for Women's Health
Gram Bharati Samiti
Greenpeace International
Group of 78
Groupe pivot: droit et citoyenneté des femmes

HELIO International
Half the Sky Foundation
Health on the Net Foundation
Heritage Foundation
Hope for Africa
Human Resource Development Foundation
Human Rights Internet
Imam Al-Sadr Foundation
Imamia Medics International
Incorvuz-XXI
Indonesian Child Welfare Foundation
Ingénieurs du monde
Institut de la gestion déléguée
Institut de politique familiale
Institute for Energy and Environmental Research
Institute of Global Education
Institute of International Sociology of Gorizia
Inter-American Parliamentary Group on Population and Development
International Association for Humanitarian Medicine Brock Chisholm
International Association of Judges
International Association of Lions Clubs
International Association of Ports and Harbors
International Association of Y's Men's Clubs
International Center for Research on Women
International Chamber of Commerce
International Coastal and Ocean Organization
International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage
International Committee for Arab-Israeli Reconciliation
International Communities for the Renewal of the Earth
International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction
International Council of Chemical Associations
International Council of Societies of Industrial Design
International Council of Voluntary Agencies

International Council on Jewish Social and Welfare Services
International Energy Foundation
International Federation of Family Associations of Missing Persons from Armed Conflicts
International Federation for Human Rights Leagues
International Federation of Inspection Agencies
International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres
International Federation of Women Lawyers
International First Aid Society
International Fund for Animal Welfare
International Health Awareness Network
International Institute for Non-Aligned Studies
International Network for Sustainable Energy
International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions
International Relations Students' Association of McGill University
International Research Foundation for Development
International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication
International Society of Doctors for the Environment
International Union for the Scientific Study of Population
International Union of Psychological Science
International Women's Democracy Center
International Women's Writing Guild
International Women's Year Liaison Group
International Young Catholic Students
Interregional Union of Life Help for Mentally Handicapped Persons "Sail of Hope"
Italian Association for Aid to Children
JMJ Children's Fund of Canada
Jammu and Kashmir Council for Human Rights
Jesuit Refugee Service
Junior Chamber International
Kids First Fund
Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women
Kiwanis International

Korea Freedom League
Korea International Volunteer Organization
Korean National Council of Women
LatCrit
Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany
Macedonian Center for International Cooperation
Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers
Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic
Medical Aid for Palestinians
Medico International
Mujer para la Mujer
National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
National Center for State Courts
National Rehabilitation and Development Center
Native American Rights Fund
Netherlands Centre for Indigenous Peoples
Network "Earth Village"
Network of East-West Women
New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council
Organization for Defending Victims of Violence
Oxfam International
Parliamentarians for Global Action
Peace Boat
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Plan International
Political and Ethical Knowledge on Economic Activities
Population Reference Bureau
Presbyterian Church USA
Rainforest Foundation
Rainforest Foundation International
Real Women of Canada
Rehabilitation International
Rooftops Canada
Rozan

Save Africa Concerts Foundation
School Sisters of Notre Dame
Seniors Españoles para la Cooperación Técnica
Sinha Institute of Medical Science and Technology
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
Society for Comparative Legislation
Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem
Tchad agir pour l'environnement
Teresian Association
Tiye International
To Love Children Educational Foundation International
Transnational Radical Party
UBUNTU Forum
Union nationale de la femme tunisienne
Unione Intercontinentale Casalinghe
United Nations Watch
Universal Esperanto Association
Urban Justice Center
Vikas Samiti
Vital Voices Global Partnership
Winvisible: Women with Visible and Invisible Disability
Women Against Rape
Women in Law and Development in Africa
Women's Crisis Centre
Women's Welfare Centre
World Federalist Movement
World Federation of Trade Unions
World Information Transfer
World Jewellery Confederation
World Organization Against Torture
World Peace and Economic Development Organization
World Road Association
World for World Organization
Youth Empowerment Alliance

(f) To take note of the quadrennial reports for periods earlier than 2006-2009 submitted by the following seven organizations:

Amnesty International
 Heritage Foundation
 Human Rights Internet
 International Association of Judges
 International Federation for Human Rights Leagues
 Jammu and Kashmir Council for Human Rights
 Transnational Radical Party

(g) To note that the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations decided to close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following twenty-three non-governmental organizations, after those organizations had failed to respond, despite three reminders from the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to queries posed to them by members of the Committee:

American Humanist Association
 Association des femmes tunisiennes pour la recherche et le développement
 Assyrian Academic Society
 Centrum Mot Rasism
 Ecumenical Coalition on Tourism Foundation
 Elite Club
 European Renewable Energy Council
 EveryChild
 Forest Products Associations of Canada
 IBON Foundation
 Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples (North-east zone)
 International Centre for Migration Health and Development
 International Refugee Rights Initiative
 Ivorian Hope Charity
 NATRIPAL
 Neda Institute for Scientific-Political Research
 Pain pour le prochain
 Psychology Beyond Borders
 Redeem Africa Foundation
 Solidarity: NGO of the Orthodox Church of Greece

UK Consortium on AIDS and International Development

Women's Ordination Conference

Zigen Fund

Draft decision II

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2011 regular session

1. The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2011 regular session.

II. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification, change of name and withdrawal of application received from non-governmental organizations

2. The Committee considered agenda item 3, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations, at its 1st to 10th and 12th to 16th meetings, from 31 January to 4 February and from 7 to on 9 February 2011. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (E/C.2/2011/R.2 and Add.1-16);

(b) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification (E/C.2/2011/R.3);

(c) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held during the period 1999-2010 (E/C.2/2011/CRP.1);

(d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2011/CRP.3);

(e) Letter from the non-governmental organization Agape International Spiritual Center of Truth informing the Committee of the withdrawal of its application for consideration for consultative status.

3. The Committee considered agenda item 6 (c), Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304: other related matters, at its 16th meeting, on 9 February. It had before it a compilation of requests from non-governmental organizations requesting change of name (E/C.2/2011/CRP.4).

A. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee

4. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (a), Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, at its 9th, 10th and 12th to 16th meetings, on 4 and 7 to 9 February. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it document E/C.2/2011/CRP.1.

Applications recommended

5. The Committee recommended that, out of the 181 organizations whose applications had been deferred from previous sessions, the Economic and Social Council grant consultative status to the following 51 (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

General consultative status

Hope International

Special consultative status

5th Pillar

Afromedianet

Association de la jeunesse congolaise pour le développement

Association of World Reindeer Herders

Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa

Athletes United for Peace

Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement

Behnam Daheshpour Charity Organization

Center for Global Community and World Law

Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation

Compassion Africa Aged Foundation

Coordinadora Española para el Lobby Europeo de Mujeres

Council for American Students in International Negotiations

Drug Prevention Network of Canada

Ecocosm Dynamics

Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegría

Foundation for the Development of Knowledge Suma Veritas

Framework Convention Alliance for Tobacco Control

Fundación Atenea Grupo

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Hydroaid
International Ecological Safety Cooperative Organization
International Federation of Psoriasis Associations
International Human Rights Observer
International Police Executive Symposium
International Solidarity and Human Rights Institute
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund
Life for Africa
Movement against Atrocities and Repression
Mémorial de la Shoah
National Association of Home Builders of the United States
National Native Title Council
New York and New Jersey Asian American Law Enforcement Advisory Committee
Niall Mellon Township Trust
Not for Sale Campaign
Pan African Civil Society Network
Pro-Life Campaign
Sacro Militare Ordine Costantiniano di San Giorgio
Schweizerische Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Jugendverbände
Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology
Soroptimist International of Europe
South Sudanese Women Christian Mission for Peace
UNIFEM Sweden
United Kingdom Association for the United Nations Development Fund for Women
Verband Entwicklungspolitik Deutscher Nichtregierungs-Organisationen
Victorious Youths Movement
Vivekananda Sevakendra-O-Sishu Uddyan
Women Against Violence (Europe)
Womensport International

Roster

International Federation of Thanatologists Associations

Applications deferred

6. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 106 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2011 regular session:

All India Christian Council
 Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
 American Bible Society
 Amuta for NGO Responsibility
 Anandilal Ganesh Podar Society
 Asia Catalyst
 Asia Center for Human Rights
 Asia Indigenous Peoples' Pact
 Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum
 Assyrian Aid Society (Iraq)
 Assyrian National Congress
 Australian Lesbian Medical Association
 Bridging the Gulf
 British Humanist Association
 Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l'homme au Sahara Occidental
 Caribbean Electric Utility Services Corporation
 Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir, Córdoba
 Centre des droits des gens (Maroc)
 Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide
 Child Helpline International
 China Youth Development Foundation
 Christian Solidarity Worldwide
 Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie
 Corrections India
 Council for International Development
 Creating Resources for Empowerment in Action
 Defense Small Arms Advisory Council
 Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association
 Ducuum
 Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement — Bwaise Facility

Equit Institute
Erevna International Peace Center
European Humanist Federation
European Union Association in the United States
European Window Film Association
Foundation for GAIA
Foundation for Human Horizon
Freedom Now
Freemuse: the World Forum on Music and Censorship
GGI Institute of Information Communication Technology India
Give to Colombia
Global AIDS Alliance
Global Family for Love and Peace
Great Tao Foundation of America
High Atlas Foundation
Human Rights House Foundation
IOGT International
Indira Gandhi National Foundation
Indo-European Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Institute of Noahide Code
International Action Network on Small Arms
International Campaign to Ban Landmines
International Confederation of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
International Council for Human Rights
International Dalit Solidarity Network
International Federation of Liberal Youth
International Foundation for Electoral Systems
International Institute of Security and Safety Management
International Juvenile Justice Observatory
International Lesbian and Gay Association
International Organization for Victim Assistance
International Prison Chaplains' Association
International Reading Association
International Senior Lawyers Project

Isfahan Minority Rights and Development
Jananeethi: A People's Initiative for Human Rights
Kashmiri American Council
Kita Chosen Nanmin Kyuen Kikin
Kosmos Associates
Krityanand UNESCO Club Jamshedpur
Law Council of Australia
Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre
Mediators Beyond Borders
Mundo sin Guerras
Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights
NGO Computer Literacy Shelter Welfare, Rawalpindi
UNIFEM in Finland
New World Hope Organization
Palpung Munishasan Dharmachakra Sangh
Peacebuilders
People's Life Centre
Program in International Human Rights Law
Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Project Green Nigeria
REDRESS
Restoration World Outreach Ministries
SAHIL
Scholars at Risk Network
Search for Common Ground
Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States
Solicitors International Human Rights Group
Sorooptimist International of the Americas
Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council
Students for Sensible Drug Policy
Sudanese Mothers for Peace
Syrian Center for Media and Freedom of Expression
Thin and High
WITNESS

Widows for Peace Through Democracy
Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights
World Buddhist Supreme Tathagata Followers Peace Foundation
World Igbo Congress
World Toilet Organization
Yale International Relations Association
Yoga in Daily Life (United States of America)

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International Lesbian and Gay Association

7. At its 10th meeting, on 4 February, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization International Lesbian and Gay Association.

8. The representative of Belgium, supported by the representative of the United States of America, called on the Committee to take a decision during the session on the application of the International Lesbian and Gay Association. He emphasized that members of the Committee had had ample time to consider the responses of the organization to the questions posed to it, since it had first applied over 10 years before. The representative of the Sudan stated that the Committee was still waiting for the non-governmental organization to submit a response to the questionnaire provided by the Committee. The representative of Morocco enquired of the Secretariat, on procedural grounds, whether voting on an application was possible while there were still outstanding issues regarding an organization.

9. The representative of Belgium stated that, while remaining fully respectful of the different positions taken by Committee members, he was nevertheless requesting a vote on the application without further delay. The representatives of Belgium and the United States of America stated that they believed the non-governmental organization had responded adequately to all issues covered in the questionnaire and that the posing of further questions was being used not to gain more information but to delay the decision-making process. Additionally, the representative of the United States of America affirmed that advocating for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights should not be used by the Committee as a disqualifying factor when it considered whether to grant consultative status. The representative of the Sudan, reiterating his position that no action should be taken while there were still questions awaiting a satisfactory answer from the organization, called for a no-action motion as regards the proposal of the representative of Belgium.

10. Citing rule 50 of the rules of procedures of the Economic and Social Council, the Secretary of the Committee stated that it was necessary first to vote on the no-action motion. If the motion proposed by the Sudan was carried, the debate on the application of the International Lesbian and Gay Association would be adjourned and the application of the International Lesbian and Gay Association would remain on the list of deferred applications.

11. The representatives of the United States of America and Bulgaria spoke in opposition to the no-action motion, while Senegal spoke in support of the motion.

12. The no-action motion was carried by a roll-call vote of 9 to 7, with 1 abstention and 2 absent. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Burundi, China, Morocco, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sudan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

Against:

Belgium, Bulgaria, India, Israel, Peru, Turkey, United States of America.

Abstaining:

Kyrgyzstan.

Absent:

Cuba, Mozambique.

13. The representatives of Nicaragua and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) stated that their delegations had voted in favour of the motion on procedural grounds, while the representative of Nicaragua further stated that she was willing to recommend the granting of consultative status to the non-governmental organization.

Applications closed (without prejudice)

14. At its 16th meeting, on 9 February, the Committee decided to close (without prejudice) consideration of the applications of 23 non-governmental organizations that, despite three reminders sent to them over two consecutive sessions, had not responded to the Committee's questions (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (g)).

Withdrawal of application

15. The Committee took note of the request of one non-governmental organization to have its application withdrawn (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (c)).

Requests for change of name

16. At its 16th meeting, on 9 February, the Committee considered seven requests by non-governmental organizations for change of name, as contained in document E/C.2/2011/CRP.4, and took note of the requests of six of those organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (d)).

17. At the same meeting, the Committee deferred, to its resumed session in May 2011, consideration of the request for change of name of the following organization:

Feminist Club (Special 2005) to the *Caucasian Feminist Initiative*

B. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification

18. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (b), New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, as contained in document E/C.2/2011/R.2 and Add.1-16, at its 3rd to 8th and 13th to 16th meetings, from 1 to 3 and on 8 and 9 February.

New applications recommended

19. Of the 171 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 61 should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

Special consultative status

Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia
 Agewell Foundation
 Amigos do Protocolo de Kyoto
 Asociación Civil Educación, Ambiente y Territorio
 Association burkinabé pour la survie de l'enfance
 Association mauritanienne pour la promotion du droit
 Association femmes soleil d'Haiti
 Azerbaijan Turkey Business Association
 Azrbaycan Grinin Avro-Atlantika Tkilat
 Beijing Children's Legal Aid and Research Center
 Beijing Zhicheng Migrant Workers' Legal Aid and Research Center
 CLIPSAS
 China Energy Fund Committee
 China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation
 Concern for Environmental Development and Research
 Drammeh Institute
 Forum Azzahrae pour la femme marocaine
 Fundación Ecología y Desarrollo
 Grand Triangle
 Initiative du millénaire des femmes africaines contre la pauvreté et pour les droits humains
 Instituto para la Participación y el Desarrollo-INPADE-Asociación Civil
 International Administrative Science Association
 International Samaritan
 Istanbul Research Centre on Women
 Kadin Adaylari Destekleme ve Egitme Derneği
 Kenya Community Development Group
 Kikandwa Rural Communities Development Organization
 Leaders Organization

Livelihood NGO**Minhaj-ul-Quran International****Muhammadiyah Association****National Association for Work Bless****National Women's Studies and Information Center "Partnership for Development"****OceanCare****Organisation nationale des donneurs de sang bénévoles****Organizaçao das Famílias da Ásia e do Pacífico****Patim****Plan Suomi Säätiö****Protection de l'environnement et de l'écosystème****RESO-Femmes****Roma Zaedno****Rufaida Health Foundation****Rural Development Centre****Serve Train Educate People's Society****Social Initiatives Support Fund****Sucardif Association****Sudanese Organization for Education Development****Tamil Christian Broadcasting Network****Terra-1530****Think Youth Independent Association****Turkish Philanthropy Funds****Türk Kalp Vakfı****Umid Support to Social Development Public Union****United Help for International Children****Univers de solidarité et de développement****VAAGDHARA****Women Watch Afrika, Inc.****Women for Human Rights, single women group****World Federation for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence**

Roster

Hellenic Research and Educational Institute "Panos Mylonas" for Road Safety
and the Prevention and Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Richbone Initiative Foundation

Applications deferred

20. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 110 non-governmental organizations pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2011 regular session:

A Better Life Foundation

AIDS Foundation East-West

Abibimman Foundation

Action sensibilisation sur les nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication

Action des chrétiens activistes des droits de l'homme à Shabunda

Africa Development Interchange Network

Africa Millennium Development Network

Agence de développement durable de Côte d'Ivoire

Aid the Children Network

All Women's Empowerment and Development Association

Alliance Forum Foundation

AquaFed: International Federation of Private Water Operators

Asociación Nacional de Empresarios de Colombia

Asociación Panameña de Corredores y Promotores de Bienes Raíces

Association of Organisations of Mediterranean Businesswomen

Association of War-Affected Women

Association pour le développement durable

Autonomous Women's Center

Baidarie

Batool Welfare Trust

British Columbia Civil Liberties Association

Business and Professional Women Voluntary Organization — Sudan

Cameroun terre nouvelle

Center for Global Nonkilling

Centre for Human Rights

Centre for International Sustainable Development Law

Cercle d'initiative commune pour la recherche, l'environnement et la qualité
Childlink Foundation
Children's Human Rights Centre of Albania
Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre
Crowley Children's Fund
Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans
Ensemble luttons contre le sida
Environment Support Group
First Nations Summit
Foundation for the Future
Free Africa Foundation
Fundación Argentina a las Naciones Camino a la Verdad
Fundación Mamonal
Fundación País Libre
Gender Links
Gibh Varta Manch
Gic technologies nouvelles au Cameroun
Global Conscience Initiative
Global Economist Forum
Global Life Focus Network
Global Organization for Human Empowerment and Rights
Godwing Osung International Foundation (The African Project)
Happy Hearts Fund
Homosexuelle Initiative Wien
Human Rights Association for Community Development in Assiut
Human Rights Law Resource Centre
Human Rights League of the Horn of Africa
Human Rights Now
Hunt Alternatives Fund
Ilngwesi Afya Program
Indira Gandhi Integral Education Centre
International Center for Alcohol Policies
Iran Human Rights Documentation Center
Jordan Career Education Foundation

Jordanian Women's Union
 Karat Coalition
 Kerman Raad
 Korean Bar Association
 Kuchlak Welfare Society
 Lawyers for Lawyers
 Life Academy of Vocational Studies
 Mental Health Initiative for Africans in Crisis
 Microbase
 Mouvement des entreprises de taille humaine, industrielles et commerciales
 National Council of Child Rights Advocates, Nigeria: South West Zone
 National Rural Development Society
 New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative
 Niger Delta Women's Movement for Peace and Development
 Odhikar: Coalition for Human Rights
 Overseas Development Institute
 PFI Foundation
 Policy Research
 Real Medicine Foundation
 Reality of Aid Network
 Rural Community Development Programme
 Rural Development Organization
 SOS Éducation
 STEER Foundation
 Second Amendment Foundation
 Self-Help Development Facilitators
 Shanta Memorial Rehabilitation Centre
 Shohratgarh Environmental Society
 Sisterhood Agenda
 Skyian Welfare Organization
 Social Development International
 Society for Human Advancement and Disadvantaged Empowerment
 Society for Research in Child Development
 Somali Community Access Network

South Asian Forum for Environment
 Sree Research and Charitable Trust
 The Fishermen
 Training for Women Network
 Trust for Sustainable Livelihoods
 Udyama
 Un Techo para mi País
 Union Internationale des voyageurs
 Vision Welfare Group
 West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation
 Western Cape Therapeutic Community Centre
 Women Advocates Research and Documentation Center
 World Council of Press
 Young People We Care
 Youth Bridge Foundation
 Youth Empowerment Synergy

Requests for reclassification

21. At its 11th meeting, on 7 February, the Committee, having considered requests from 11 organizations for reclassification of consultative status, as contained in documents E/C.2/2011/R.3 and E/C.2/2011/CRP.3, as decided to recommend reclassification of 3 of those organizations from special to general status and 3 from the Roster to special status (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (b)).

22. The Committee decided to defer consideration of the matter of the reclassification of consultative status of the following five organizations:

Covenant House
 Family Health International
 International Federation of Consular Corps and Associations
 Junior Chamber International
 United States Trademark Association

23. With respect to the International Union against Cancer, the Committee, having considered the request of the organization for reclassification, which had been deferred from previous sessions, decided to recommend reclassification from the Roster to special consultative status.

III. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

A. Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

24. At its 11th meeting, on 7 February 2011, the Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of 23 quadrennial reports submitted by 19 non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council on their activities during the period 1999-2010, whose consideration had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2011/CRP.2). Of those 23 reports, it took note of 7, from the following organizations:

Amnesty International (2004-2007)
Heritage Foundation (2003-2006)
Human Rights Internet (2003-2006)
International Federation for Human Rights Leagues (2004-2007)
International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)
Jammu and Kashmir Council for Human Rights (2005-2008)
Transnational Radical Party (2003-2006)

25. The Committee decided to further defer consideration of the 16 quadrennial reports of the following 12 organizations deferred from previous sessions, pending receipt of their response to questions posed by the Committee:

Christian Democratic International (1994-1997), (1998-2001)/Centrist Democrat International (2001-2004)²
CIVICUS World Alliance for Citizen Participation (2004-2007)
Freedom House (2003-2006)
Human Rights Watch (2005-2008)
International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)
International Network of Liberal Women (2003-2006)
International Press Institute (2001-2004), (2005-2008)
International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)
National Council of Women of Thailand (2000-2003)
Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)
Society for Threatened Peoples (2001-2004), (2005-2008)
Ukrainian World Congress (2003-2006)

² Christian Democratic International, which had submitted reports for 1994-1997 and 1998-2001, changed its name to Centrist Democrat International, which submitted a report for 2001-2004.

26. At the 11th meeting, on 7 February, a draft decision for consideration by the Committee was introduced by the representative of the United States of America under agenda item 4 (a), Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, by which note would be taken of the quadrennial report of Amnesty International, consideration of which had been deferred for two years. The representative of Cuba stated that while he did not wish to further defer consideration of the report, he wished first to receive answers to the questions posed. After a discussion among the Committee members, they agreed to adjourn briefly in order to consider the information available on the organization's website concerning the questions posed, which was then distributed. After consideration of the information by its members, the Committee took note of the report by consensus without proceeding to consideration of the tabled draft decision. Subsequently, the representative of Cuba stated that the distribution of the information available on the website of the non-governmental organization should not constitute a precedent in respect of future consideration of quadrennial reports.

B. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

27. The Committee considered item 4 (b) of its agenda, Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, at its 11th meeting, on 7 February. It had before it a note by the Secretary-General containing 208 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2011/2 and Add.1-16), of which the Committee took note of 205 (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (e)).

28. The Committee decided to defer consideration of the new quadrennial reports submitted by the following three organizations, pending receipt of their responses to questions posed by the Committee:

Asian Legal Resource Centre

Becket Fund for Religious Liberty

International PEN

29. At the 2010 regular session, held from 25 January to 3 February 2010, during consideration of the application for consultative status of the non-governmental organization Plan Sweden, it had been brought to the attention of the Committee that Plan Sweden is a member of the larger umbrella non-governmental organization Plan International, which has enjoyed Roster status since 1981. The Committee consequently decided to request a report from Plan International for consideration at its 2011 regular session with a view to deciding whether to recommend that it be reclassified, as appropriate, in accordance with paragraph 61 (c) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31. At its 11th meeting, on 7 February, the Committee recommended reclassifying Plan International from the Roster to special consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (b)).

IV. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat; and General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network

30. At its 1st meeting, on 31 January 2011, the Committee considered jointly agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network, and heard oral reports made by the Secretariat.

31. Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan and China, who welcomed the noticeable improvements in the work of the Branch, encouraged continued progress and expressed their support for further strengthening of the Branch.

V. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304

Other related matters

Recommendations for improving the working methods of the Committee

32. At the 11th meeting, on 7 February 2011, following informal discussions, proposals were considered for improving the working methods of the Committee and expediting the process of reviewing applications. The Committee agreed to utilize the time allocated for dialogue with non-governmental organizations for this purpose only. At its 16th meeting, on 9 February, the Committee agreed to hold an informal intersessional meeting before the start of the resumed session in order to continue its discussion on the matter.

VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

33. The Committee had no special reports before it at its 2011 regular session.

VII. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

34. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2011 regular session from 31 January to 9 February and on 3 March 2011. The Committee held 17 meetings (1st to 17th).

35. The session was opened by the Vice-Chair of the 2010 sessions of the Committee, Edgard Pérez (Peru), who served as temporary Chair.

36. At the 1st meeting, on 31 January, the Chair of the Committee, Aydan Karamanoğlu (Turkey), made an opening statement. An introductory statement was made by the Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.

B. Attendance

37. The session was attended by 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-Member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be made available from <http://www.un.org/ecosoc/ngo>.

38. At its 2011 regular session, the Committee heard 13 representatives of non-governmental organizations, who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

39. At its 1st meeting, on 31 January, the Committee elected Aydan Karamanoğlu (Turkey) as Chair and Marghoob Saleem Butt (Pakistan), Mansour Ciss (Senegal), Edgard Pérez (Peru) and Maria Pavlova Tzotzorkova (Bulgaria) as Vice-Chairs.

40. At the 16th meeting, on 9 February, it was decided that the Vice-Chair (Pakistan), would also serve as Rapporteur.

D. Agenda

41. At its 1st meeting, on 31 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2011 session as contained in document E/C.2/2011/1. The agenda reads as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:

- (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
 - (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
 - (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
 - (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
 - (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.
 5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat.
 6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
 - (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
 - (b) Consideration of issues in the agenda of the informal working group;
 - (c) Other related matters.
 7. Consideration of special reports.
 8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.
 9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2012 session of the Committee.
 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.
42. At the same meeting, the Committee approved its organization of work, as contained in working paper No. 1, and agreed on its programme of work, as contained in an informal chart.

VIII. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2011 regular session

43. At its 17th meeting, on 3 March 2011, the Committee adopted the present report.